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Title: A closed-form method for improving inter-subject coherence in diffusion tensor magnetic resonance imaging

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Author Affiliation: Dept. of Psychiatry & Biostat., Harvard Univ. Sch. of Medicine & Public Health, Boston, MA, USA

Conference Title: 2004 2nd IEEE International Symposium on Biomedical Imaging: Macro to Nano (IEEE Cat No. 04EX821) **Part** Vol. 2 **p.** 1506-9 **Vol.** 2

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Abstract: A simple method is presented to reduce within-group inter-subject scatter in **diffusion tensor magnetic resonance imaging (DT-MRI)**. By "borrowing strength" across co-registered subjects to accommodate indirect effects of unmeasured machine and physiological noise, the method reduces voxel-specific tensor variance across subjects. The technique may aid in fiber bundle atlas construction, in testing differences between groups of subjects, and in automated outlier detection. While the technique does not in itself address **DT-MRI** signal artifact issues directly, it may serve to lessen the effects of these artifacts when their sources have not been measured. An example application to **DT-MRI** of twelve healthy male volunteers at the splenium of the corpus callosum slightly right of midline demonstrates the possible utility of the method. (13 Refs)

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Descriptors: biomedical **MRI**; brain; image registration; medical image processing; tensors

Identifiers: closed-form method; inter-subject coherence; **diffusion tensor magnetic resonance imaging**; unmeasured machine; physiological noise; voxel-specific tensor variance; fiber bundle atlas construction; automated outlier detection; **DT-MRI** signal artifact issues; splenium; corpus callosum

Class Codes: A8740 (Biomagnetism); **A8760I** (Medical magnetic resonance imaging and spectroscopy); A8730 (Biophysics of neurophysiological processes); A0210 (Algebra, set theory, and graph theory); **B7510N** (Biomedical magnetic resonance imaging and spectroscopy); B6135 (Optical, image and video signal processing); C7330 (Biology and medical computing); C5260B (Computer vision and image processing techniques)

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Geometric strategies for neuroanatomic analysis from MRI.

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In this paper, we describe ongoing work in the Image Processing and Analysis Group (IPAG) at Yale University specifically aimed at the analysis of structural information as represented within **magnetic resonance images (MRI)** of the human brain. Specifically, we will describe our applied mathematical approaches to the segmentation of cortical and subcortical structure, the analysis of white matter fiber tracks using **diffusion tensor imaging (DTI)**, and the **intersubject** registration of neuroanatomical (aMRI) data sets. Many of our methods rally around the use of geometric constraints, statistical (MAP) estimation, and the use of level set evolution strategies. The analysis of gray matter structure and connecting white matter paths combined with the ability to bring all information into a common space via **intersubject** registration should provide us with a rich set of data to investigate structure and variation in the human brain in neuropsychiatric disorders, as well as provide a basis for current work in the development of integrated brain function-structure analysis. (81 Refs.)

Descriptors: *Brain--anatomy and histology--AH; *Diffusion Magnetic Resonance Imaging--statistics and numerical data--SN; *Image Processing, Computer-Assisted--statistics and numerical data--SN ; Algorithms; Brain--cytology--CY; Brain Mapping; Cerebral Cortex--anatomy and histology--AH; Cerebral Cortex--cytology--CY; Computer Simulation; Humans; Models, Statistical; Nerve Fibers--physiology--PH; Neural Pathways --anatomy and histology--AH; Neural Pathways--cytology--CY; Research Support, U.S. Gov't, P.H.S.

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Minimal gradient encoding for robust estimation of diffusion anisotropy.

Papadakis N G; Murrills C D; Hall L D; Huang C L; Adrian Carpenter T

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Magnetic resonance imaging (UNITED STATES) Jul 2000 , 18 (6) p671-9 , ISSN: 0730-725X--Print **Journal**
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This study has investigated the relationship between the noise sensitivity of measurement by **magnetic resonance imaging (MRI)** of the **diffusion tensor (D)** of water and the number N of diffusion-weighting (DW) gradient directions, using computer simulations of strongly anisotropic fibers with variable orientation. The DW directions uniformly sampled the diffusion ellipsoid surface. It is shown that the variation of the signal-to-noise ratio (SNR) of three ideally rotationally invariant scalars of D due to variable fiber orientation provides an objective quantitative measure for the diffusion ellipsoid sampling efficiency, which is independent of the SNR value of the baseline signal obtained without DW; the SNR variation decreased asymptotically with increasing N. The minimum number N(0) of DW directions, which minimized the SNR variation of the three scalars of D was determined, thereby achieving the most efficient ellipsoid sampling. The resulting time efficient diffusion tensor imaging (DTI) protocols provide robust estimation of diffusion anisotropy in the presence of noise and can improve the repeatability/reliability of DTI experiments when there is high variability in the orientation of similar anisotropic structures, as for example, in studies which require repeated measurement of one individual, intersubject comparisons or multicenter studies.

Descriptors: *Magnetic Resonance Imaging--methods--MT ; Anisotropy; Computer Simulation; Humans; Models, Theoretical; Research Support, Non-U.S. Gov't; Statistics

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09145007 **INSPEC Abstract Number:** C2004-12-6130B-006

Title: Interactive volume rendering of thin thread structures within multivalued scientific data sets

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Author Affiliation: Dept. of Comput. Sci., Brown Univ., Providence, RI, USA

Journal: IEEE Transactions on Visualization and Computer Graphics vol.10, no.6 p. 664-72

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Language: English **Document Type:** Journal Paper (JP)

Treatment: Applications (A); Practical (P)

Abstract: We present a threads and halos representation for interactive volume rendering of vector-field structure and describe a number of additional components that combine to create effective visualizations of multivalued 3D scientific data. After filtering linear structures, such as flow lines, into a volume representation, we use a multilayer volume rendering approach to simultaneously display this derived volume along with other data values. We demonstrate the utility of threads and halos in clarifying depth relationships within dense renderings and we present results from two scientific applications: visualization of **second-order tensor valued magnetic resonance imaging (MRI)** data and simulated 3D fluid flow data. In both application areas, the interactivity of the visualizations proved to be important to the domain scientists. Finally, we describe a PC-based implementation of our framework along with domain specific transfer functions, including an exploratory data culling tool, that enable fast data exploration.
(29 Refs)

Subfile: C

Descriptors: biomedical **MRI**; data visualisation; flow visualisation; image texture; rendering (computer graphics); solid modelling; tensors

Identifiers: interactive volume rendering; thin thread structures; multivalued scientific data sets; vector-field structure; **magnetic resonance imaging**; simulated 3D fluid flow data; transfer function; data culling tool; data exploration; scientific visualization; **diffusion tensor** imaging; medical imaging; volume shading; PC graphics hardware

Class Codes: C6130B (Graphics techniques); C5260B (Computer vision and image processing techniques)

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08161612 **INSPEC Abstract Number:** A2002-05-8760I-024, B2002-02-7510N-097, C2002-02-7330-397

Title: Study of connectivity in the brain using the full diffusion tensor from MRI

Author Batchelor, P.G.; Hill, D.L.G.; Calamante, F.; Atkinson, D.

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Treatment: Theoretical (T)

Abstract: In this paper we propose a novel technique for the analysis of **diffusion tensor magnetic resonance images**. This method involves solving the full diffusion equation over a finite element mesh derived from the MR data. It calculates connection probabilities between points of interest, which can be compared within or between subjects. Unlike traditional tractography, we use all the data in the **diffusion tensor** at each voxel which is likely to increase robustness and make **intersubject** comparisons easier. (25 Refs)

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Descriptors: biodiffusion; biological fluid dynamics; biomedical **MRI**; brain; finite element analysis; medical image processing

Identifiers: **diffusion tensor magnetic resonance images**; full diffusion equation; full **diffusion tensor** ; finite element mesh; connection probabilities; voxel; **intersubject** comparisons; robustness; brain connectivity

Class Codes: **A8760I** (Medical magnetic resonance imaging and spectroscopy); **A8770E** (Patient diagnostic methods and instrumentation); **A8745** (Biomechanics, biorheology, biological fluid dynamics); **A0260** (Numerical approximation and analysis); **B7510N** (Biomedical magnetic resonance imaging and spectroscopy); **B6135** (Optical, image and video signal processing); **B0290T** (Finite element analysis); **C7330** (Biology and medical computing); **C5260B** (Computer vision and image processing techniques); **C4185** (Finite element analysis)

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Perfusion imaging method in magnetic resonance imaging, involves determining perfusion tensor, based on magnetic resonance data acquisition with gradient encoding for random motion at different sensitivity values

Patent Assignee: KONINK PHILIPS ELECTRONICS NV (PHIG); VAN DEN BRINK J S (VBRI-I)

Inventor: VAN DEN BRINK J; VAN DEN BRINK J S

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NOVELTY - The **magnetic resonance** data acquisition is performed with gradient encoding for random motion at different sensitivity values, for a set number of times. The perfusion tensor is acquired using the **magnetic resonance** data acquisitions.

DESCRIPTION - INDEPENDENT CLAIMS are also included for the following:

1. a computer program product in digital storage medium with program for determining perfusion tensor; and
2. a perfusion imaging apparatus.

USE - For magnetic resonance imaging (MRI) used for **medical purposes such as** abdominal imaging, especially for diffusion tensor imaging (DTI).

ADVANTAGE - Enables to perform required data acquisitions for a couple of slices through the body within a single breath, for e.g. in less than 16 seconds.

DESCRIPTION OF DRAWINGS - The figure is a logarithmic diagram showing the magnetic resonance imaging signals for the **determination of perfusion** tensor and imaging.

Title Terms /Index Terms/Additional Words: PERFUSION; IMAGE; METHOD; MAGNETIC; RESONANCE; DETERMINE; TENSOR; BASED; DATA; ACQUIRE; GRADIENT; ENCODE; RANDOM; MOTION; SENSITIVE; VALUE

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PROCEDE DE VISUALISATION DE PERFUSION PAR RESONANCE MAGNETIQUE

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Original Abstract: The present invention relates to a method of perfusion imaging comprising: performing a first magnetic resonance data acquisition (A) at a first sensitivity (b) value, performing a set of at least six second magnetic resonance data acquisitions (B₁, B₂,... B₆) with gradient encodings in different directions at second sensitivity (b) values, determining a perfusion tensor based on the magnetic resonance data acquisitions, performing a perfusion tensor visualisation step.

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Claim:

1. 1. A method of perfusion imaging comprising:

- performing a first magnetic resonance data acquisition with gradient encodings for random motion at a first sensitivity value,
- performing a set of at least six second magnetic resonance data acquisitions with gradient encodings for random motion in different directions at second sensitivity values,
- determining a perfusion tensor based on the magnetic resonance data acquisitions.

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Original Abstract: The present invention relates to a method of perfusion imaging comprising: performing a first

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La presente invention concerne un procede de visualisation de perfusion consistant a realiser une premiere acquisition de donnees par resonance magnetique (A) a une premiere valeur de sensibilite (b), a realiser un ensemble d'au moins six secondes acquisitions de donnees par resonance magnetique (B₁, B₂,...B₆) a l'aide de codages a gradient dans differentes directions a des deuxiemes valeurs de sensibilite (b), a determiner un tenseur de perfusions sur la base des acquisitions de donnees par resonance magnetique, et a effectuer une etape de visualisation de ce tenseur de perfusion.

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Diffusion-tensor magnetic resonance imaging in brain white matter diseases

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Objective: To **evaluate** the usefulness of **diffusion- tensor MR imaging** in brain white matter diseases. **Methods:** A combined conventional and diffusion tensor **MRI** were obtained from 10 multiple sclerosis, 10 multiple lacunar infarction, 3 cysticercosis, 1 angitis, 1 morphinist and 10 healthy control volunteers. After obtaining mean diffusivity (D) and fractional anisotropy images and image coregistration, the correlations of the lesions and the white matter pathways were investigated. D and AI **values** were measured from four big lesions which can be seen in T2W1 and compared to contralateral white matter. Also D and AI **value** of four different anatomic locations of normal-appearing white matter regions were measured in all patients and controls. **Results:** Whereas the lesions of infarction, cysticercosis and angitis were in and outside the white matter pathways, all plaques of multiple sclerosis were inside the white matter pathways. The brain white matter lesions by 1 morphinist were beside the lateral ventricle with big patchy appearance, which was partly inside white matter. For MS, D **value** was higher in lesions than control white matter. But for other diseases, D **value** could be seen higher or lower compared to healthy side. AI **values** were lower in all lesions. D **value** was higher and AI was lower in normal appearing brain white matter when comparing MS to other cases or healthy control volunteers. **Conclusion:** **Diffusion tensor MR images** can **determine** the correlations of the lesions and brain white matter pathways. The changes of D and AI **values** can improve specificity in differential diagnoses though quantitatively analyzing the tissue damage in lesions and normal-appearing brain white matter.

MEDICAL DESCRIPTORS:

* diffusion tensor imaging; *multiple sclerosis; *brain infarction; *brain vasculitis; *brain cysticercosis
white matter; medical assessment; brain disease; anisotropy; lateral brain ventricle; clinical feature; quantitative analysis; human; male; female; clinical article; controlled study; adolescent; adult; article

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**Use of fractional anisotropy value by diffusion tensor MRI for preoperative diagnosis of astrocytic tumors:
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The fractional anisotropy (FA) **value calculated by diffusion tensor MRI** can indicate the degree of directionality of water diffusion in astrocytic tumors. Here, we report a case of anaplastic astrocytoma in which FA proved invaluable for the preoperative differential diagnosis. A 60-year-old man complained of headache, and underwent routine neuroimaging and DTI. The routine images suggested a low-grade glioma in the left temporal lobe, based on lack of enhancement on **MRI** with contrast medium and lack of tumor staining on angiograms, whereas **FA value** was very high. Based on these findings, a preoperative diagnosis of high-grade glioma was suspected. The surgical specimen exhibited the histological features of anaplastic astrocytoma with a high density of spindle shaped cells and low vascularity. In this report, we discuss the relationship between FA and other characteristics of the present tumor, and discuss the utility of FA measurement in astrocytic tumors. (c) Kluwer Academic Publishers 2004.

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MEDICAL DESCRIPTORS:

* glioblastoma--diagnosis--di; *glioblastoma--surgery--su; *diffusion tensor imaging anisotropy; **nuclear magnetic resonance imaging**; preoperative evaluation; diagnostic **value**; differential diagnosis; headache; neuroimaging; glioma; temporal lobe; contrast enhancement; angiography; histology; cell density; spindle cell; tumor vascularization; human; male; case report; human tissue; adult; article

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The values of diffusion tensor imaging and functional MRI in evaluating profound sensorineural hearing loss

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MEDICAL DESCRIPTORS:

* diffusion tensor imaging; ***nuclear magnetic resonance imaging**; *perception deafness--diagnosis--diagnostic imaging; diagnostic **value**; nervous system function; auditory system function; neurotransmission; diagnostic accuracy; information processing; informed consent; anisotropy; cochlear nucleus; olivary nucleus; inferior colliculus; auditory cortex; human; male; female; clinical article; controlled study; child; article

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Contribution of diffusion tensor imaging to delineation of gliomas and glioblastomas

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Purpose: To **determine** if the **diffusion tensor** imaging (DTI) parameters fractional anisotropy (FA) and mean diffusivity (MD) can differentiate between accompanying edema and tumor cell infiltration of white matter (WM) beyond the tumor edge as defined from conventional **MRI** in low- and high-grade gliomas. **Materials and Methods:** We examined 12 patients with high-grade gliomas/glioblastomas and eight patients with low-grade gliomas and compared them to 10 patients with meningiomas, in which no tumor Infiltration Is expected. The tumor was defined as the enhancing area in glioblastomas and meningiomas and as the area of increased T2-signal in low-grade gliomas. FA and MD were measured In the center of the tumor and in the adjacent WM. The contralateral WM and internal capsule were used as an internal standard. **Results:** Comparing the WM areas of increased T2- signal adjacent to meningiomas and glioblastomas, we saw a trend (without significance) towards a reduction of FA, but not of MD, in glioblastomas. We found no changes of FA and MD in the WM adjacent to low-grade gliomas (without T2-signal increase) compared to the WM of the contralateral hemisphere. In meningiomas and high-grade gliomas/glioblastomas, a narrow rim of significantly ($P < 0.01$) increased FA and decreased MD **values** around the enhancing tumor area was seen, whereas in low-grade gliomas, such a rim could not be defined. There was no contribution of FA or MD to grading of gliomas. **Conclusion:** In glioblastomas, a reduction of FA in the edematous area surrounding the tumor may indicate tumor cell infiltration, but a reliable differentiation between infiltration and vasogenic edema is not yet possible on the basis of DTI. The additional finding of a narrow rim of increased FA and decreased MD at the edge of glioblastomas (as well as in meningiomas) may be caused by compressed WM fibers and/or increased vascularity, but does not contribute to exclude peripheral cellular infiltration.

MEDICAL DESCRIPTORS:

* diffusion tensor imaging; *glioma--diagnosis--di; *glioblastoma--diagnosis --di
anisotropy; edema; tumor cell culture; cell infiltration; white matter; cancer grading; meningioma--diagnosis--di;
hemisphere; statistical significance; reliability; human; male; female; clinical article; adolescent; aged; child; adult;
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Detecting glioma invasion of the corpus callosum using diffusion tensor imaging

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We present a patient with a recurrent glioblastoma and abnormalities of the corpus callosum seen on diffusion tensor MRI that were not seen on conventional imaging. These abnormalities preceded the development of the tumour. We describe the technique of diffusion tissue signatures to assess tissue infiltration by tumours compared with values from normal volunteers.

Device Brand Name/Manufacturer Name: 3 Tesla/Bruker/Germany; MATLAB/Mathworks/United States

Device Manufacturer Names: Bruker/Germany; Mathworks/United States

MEDICAL DESCRIPTORS:

* glioblastoma--diagnosis--di; *glioblastoma--radiotherapy--rt; *glioblastoma --surgery--su; *cancer invasion;
*corpus callosum

diffusion tensor imaging; focal epilepsy; computer assisted tomography; cancer radiotherapy; dysphasia; nuclear magnetic resonance imaging; device; human; female; case report; adult; article; priority journal

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Parallel imaging and diffusion tensor imaging for diffusion-weighted MRI of the liver: Preliminary experience in healthy volunteers

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OBJECTIVE. Our aim was to **determine** whether parallel imaging and **diffusion tensor** imaging affect the measurement of apparent diffusion coefficient (ADC) during diffusion-weighted **MRI** of the liver in healthy volunteers. **SUBJECTS AND METHODS.** We performed breath-hold single-shot echo-planar diffusion-weighted **MRI** of the liver in 10 healthy volunteers using conventional diffusion, conventional diffusion with parallel imaging, and diffusion tensor with parallel imaging sequences. **TE values** for the three sequences were 83, 74, and 63, respectively. Liver signal intensity was measured on all sequences and normalized to the SD of the measurement. Hepatic ADC was calculated by acquiring all sequences with **b values** of 0 and 500 sec/mmSUP2. **RESULTS.** The normalized liver signal intensity was higher on diffusion tensor with parallel imaging and conventional diffusion with parallel imaging than on conventional diffusion without parallel imaging for a **b value** of 500 sec/mmSUP2 (13.0 and 10.1 vs 9.1, respectively; $p < 0.03$) and for a **b value** of 0 sec/mm SUP2 (9.0 and 7.6 vs 6.9, respectively; without reaching a significant difference, $p = 0.12$). Hepatic ADC was not significantly different between sequences ($p = 0.16$). **CONCLUSION.** Higher signal intensity can be obtained when using parallel imaging and diffusion tensor imaging during diffusion-weighted **MRI** of the liver without compromising hepatic ADC measurement.

MEDICAL DESCRIPTORS:

* liver; ***nuclear magnetic resonance imaging**; * diffusion weighted imaging; *technique
diffusion coefficient; signal processing; calculation; human; male; female; normal human; adult; article; priority journal

Medical Terms (Uncontrolled): parallel imaging; tensor imaging; apparent diffusion coefficient; echo time **value**;
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Diffusion tensor imaging in multiple sclerosis: A tool for monitoring changes in normal-appearing white matter

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Number Of References: 30

Our objectives were to **determine** the reproducibility of **diffusion tensor imaging (DTI)** in volunteers and to **evaluate** the ability of the method to monitor longitudinal changes occurring in the normal-appearing white matter (NAWM) of patients with multiple sclerosis (MS). DTI was performed three-monthly for one year in seven MS patients: three relapsing-remitting (RRMS), three secondary progressive (SPMS) and one relapsing SP. They were selected with a limited cerebral lesion load. Seven age- and sex-matched controls also underwent monthly examinations for three months. Diffusivity and anisotropy were quantified over the segmented whole supratentorial white matter, with the indices of trace (Tr) and fractional anisotropy (FA). Results obtained in volunteers show the reproducibility of the method. Patients had higher trace and lower anisotropy than matched controls ($P < 0.0001$). Over the follow-up, both Tr and FA indicated a recovery after the acute phase in RRMS and a progressive shift towards abnormal **values** in SPMS. Although this result is not statistically significant it suggests that DTI is sensitive to microscopic changes occurring in tissue of normal appearance in conventional images and could be useful for monitoring the course of the disease, even though it was unable to clearly distinguish between the various physiopathological processes involved. (c) Arnold 2004.

MEDICAL DESCRIPTORS:

* multiple sclerosis--diagnosis--di; *diffusion tensor imaging

patient monitoring; disease activity; white matter; reproducibility; volunteer; longitudinal study; relapse; remission; patient selection; brain injury; neurologic examination; anisotropy; quantitative analysis; follow up; convalescence; sensitivity analysis; brain tissue; disease course; pathophysiology; **nuclear magnetic resonance imaging**; image processing; intermethod comparison; human; male; female; clinical article; controlled study; adult; article

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Does Fractional Anisotropy Have Better Noise Immunity Characteristics Than Relative Anisotropy in Diffusion Tensor MRI? An Analytical Approach

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Fractional anisotropy (FA) and relative anisotropy (RA) are the two most commonly used scalar measures of anisotropy in diffusion tensor (DT) **MRI**. While a few published studies have shown that FA has superior noise immunity relative to RA, no theoretical basis has been proposed to explain this behavior. In the current study, the diffusion tensor invariants were used to derive a simple analytical expression that directly relates RA and FA. An analysis based on that analytical expression demonstrated that the FA images have a higher signal-to-noise ratio (SNR) than RA for any **value** of tensor anisotropy $RA \text{ or } FA > 0$. This theoretical behavior was verified using both Monte Carlo simulations and bootstrap **analysis** of **DT-MRI** data acquired in a spherical water phantom and normal human subjects. (c) 2004 Wiley-Liss, Inc.

MEDICAL DESCRIPTORS:

* anisotropy; *diffusion tensor imaging

analytic method; image analysis; signal noise ratio; Monte Carlo method; phantom; comparative study; human; human experiment; normal human; controlled study; article

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Assessment of axonal degeneration in Alzheimer's disease with diffusion tensor MRI

DIFFUSION TENSOR IMAGING ZUR ERFASSUNG AXONALER DEGENERATION BEI MORBUS ALZHEIMER

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Purpose. Alzheimer disease (AD) causes cortical degeneration with subsequent degenerative changes of the white matter. The aim of this study was to investigate the extent of white matter tissue damage of patients with Alzheimer's disease in comparison with healthy subjects using diffusion tensor **MRI** (DTI). The **value** of integrated parallel imaging techniques (iPAT) for reduction of image distortion was assessed. **Material and methods.** We studied 9 patients with mild AD and 10 age and gender matched healthy controls. DTI brain scans were obtained on a 1.5 tesla system (Siemens Magnetom Sonata) using parallel imaging (iPAT) and an EPI diffusion sequence with TE/TR 71 ms/6000 ms. We used an 8-element head coil and a GRAPPA reconstruction algorithm with an acceleration factor of 2. From the tensor, the mean diffusivity (D), the fractional anisotropy (FA), and the relative anisotropy (RA) of several white matter regions were determined. **Results.** FA was significantly lower ($p < 0,05$) in the white matter of the genu of corpus callosum from patients with AD than in the corresponding regions from healthy controls. There was a trend observed for slightly higher ADC **values** in the AD group ($p = 0,06$). No significant changes were observed in the regions of the splenium, internal capsule, pericallosal areas, frontal, temporal, parietal, and occipital lobe. The images obtained with iPAT contained substantially less susceptibility artefacts and were less distorted than images acquired with non-parallel imaging technique. **Conclusions.** DTI is a method with potential to assess early stages of white matter damage in vivo. The altered FA and ADC **values** in the genu of corpus callosum of patients with AD presumably reflect the microscopic white matter degeneration. Acquisition time can be reduced by iPAT methods with less image distortion from susceptibility artefacts resulting in a more accurate **calculation** of the **diffusion tensor**.

Device Brand Name/Manufacturer Name: Siemens Magnetom Sonata/Siemens

Device Manufacturer Names: Siemens

MEDICAL DESCRIPTORS:

* nerve fiber degeneration--diagnosis--di; *Alzheimer disease; *diffusion tensor imaging
white matter; brain injury--diagnosis--di; imaging system; algorithm; anisotropy; corpus callosum; brain region;
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Demyelinating plaques in relapsing-remitting and secondary-progressive multiple sclerosis: Assessment with diffusion MR imaging

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BACKGROUND AND PURPOSE: Conventional **MR imaging** does not provide specific information that can be reliably associated with the pathologic substrate and clinical status of patients with multiple sclerosis (MS). Our goals were 1) to determine whether the orientationally averaged water diffusion coefficient ($\langle D \rangle$) can be used to distinguish between plaques of different severity in these patients and 2) to assess possible correlations between $\langle D \rangle$ values and disease duration, Expanded Disability Status Scale (EDSS) score, and signal intensity on T1-weighted **MR images**. **METHODS:** Twenty patients (10 with relapsing-remitting MS and 10 with secondary-progressive MS) and 11 healthy volunteers underwent a combined conventional and diffusion-weighted MR study of the brain. $\langle D \rangle$, a parameter that is proportional to the trace of the **diffusion tensor**, was **computed** by averaging the apparent diffusion coefficients measured in the x, y, and z directions. $\langle D \rangle$ measurements were obtained for selected areas of white matter plaques. Differences in $\langle D \rangle$ among the three groups were tested using analysis of variance. **RESULTS:** $\langle D \rangle$ was significantly higher ($1.445 (+) 0.129 \times 10^3 \text{ mm}^2/\text{s}$) in secondary-progressive lesions than in relapsing-remitting lesions ($0.951 (+) 0.08$), and both **values** were higher than $\langle D \rangle$ in normal white matter ($0.732 (+) 0.02$). There was a significant negative correlation between $\langle D \rangle$ and the degree of hypointensity on T1-weighted images, and a positive correlation between $\langle D \rangle$ and both EDSS score and disease duration. **CONCLUSION:** Our findings suggest that $\langle D \rangle$ is useful for distinguishing MS lesions of different severities, which are associated with different degrees of clinical disability.

MEDICAL DESCRIPTORS:

* demyelinating disease--diagnosis--di; *multiple sclerosis--diagnosis--di; * **nuclear magnetic resonance imaging** recurrent disease; disease course; disease severity; disease duration; scoring system; correlation function; human; male; female; clinical article ; controlled study; adult; article

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Determination of the rotational diffusion tensor of macromolecules in solution from NMR relaxation data with a combination of exact and approximate methods - Application to the determination of interdomain orientation in multidomain proteins

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Abstract: In this paper we present a method for **determining** the rotational **diffusion tensor** from **NMR** relaxation data using a combination of approximate and exact methods. The approximate method, which is computationally less intensive, computes **values** of the principal components of the **diffusion tensor** and **estimates** the Euler angles, which relate the principal axis frame of the diffusion tensor to the molecular frame. The approximate **values** of the principal components are then used as starting points for an exact calculation by a downhill simplex search for the principal components of the tensor over a grid of the space of Euler angles relating the diffusion tensor frame to the molecular frame. The search space of Euler angles is restricted using the tensor orientations calculated using the approximate method. The utility of this approach is demonstrated using both simulated and experimental relaxation data. A quality factor that determines the extent of the agreement between the measured and predicted relaxation data is provided. This approach is then used to estimate the relative orientation of SH3 and SH2 domains in the SH(32) dual-domain construct of Abelson kinase complexed with a consolidated ligand. (C) 2001 Academic Press.

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Evidence of red cell alignment in the magnetic field of an NMR spectrometer based on the diffusion tensor of water

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Abstract: The alignment of human erythrocytes in aqueous suspensions in the magnetic field B-0 (called the z-direction) of an NMR spectrometer was shown by calculating the diffusion tensor for water in the sample. The diffusion was measured using a pulsed-held-gradient spin-echo NMR method. The extent of diffusion anisotropy for water was exemplified by the values of the apparent diffusion coefficients with erythrocytes of normal shape and volume: for a typical experiment the values for the x-, y-, and z-directions were $(6.88 \pm 0.17) \times 10^{-10}$, $(7.07 \pm 0.17) \times 10^{-10}$, and $(10.20 \pm 0.17) \times 10^{-10} \text{ m}^2 \text{ s}^{-1}$, respectively. Cells in hypo- and hyperosmotic media were also studied and they too showed the anisotropy of the apparent diffusion coefficients but the extents were different. A new method of data analysis was developed using the Standard Add-On Packages in a Mathematica program. The experimental findings support evidence of erythrocyte alignment that was previously obtained with a high-field-gradient q-space method. (C) 2000 Academic Press.

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Diffusion tensor **magnetic resonance imaging (DT-MRI)** provides a statistical **estimate** of a symmetric, second-order **diffusion tensor** of water, D , in each voxel within an imaging volume. We propose a new normal distribution, $p(D) \propto \exp(-1/2 D : A : D)$, which describes the variability of D in an ideal DT- **MRI** experiment. The scalar invariant, $D : A : D$, is the contraction of a positive definite symmetric, fourth-order precision tensor, A , and D . A correspondence is established between $D : A : D$ and the elastic strain energy density function in continuum mechanics-specifically between D and the second-order infinitesimal strain tensor, and between A and the fourth-order tensor of elastic coefficients. We show that A can be further classified according to different classical elastic symmetries (i.e., isotropy, transverse isotropy, orthotropy, planar symmetry, and anisotropy). When A is an isotropic fourth-order tensor, we derive an explicit analytic expression for $p(D)$, and for the distribution of the three eigenvalues of D , $p(1/\gamma(1), 1/\gamma(2), 1/\gamma(3))$, which are confirmed by Monte Carlo simulations. We show how A can be **estimated** from either real or synthetic **DT-MRI** data for any given experimental design. Here we propose a new criterion for an optimal experimental design: that A be an isotropic fourth-order tensor. This condition ensures that the statistical properties of D (and quantities derived from it) are rotationally invariant. We also investigate the degree of isotropy of several DT-**MRI** experimental designs. Finally, we show that the univariate and multivariate distributions are special cases of the more general tensor-variate normal distribution, and suggest how to generalize $p(D)$ to treat normal random tensor variables that are of third- (or higher) order. We expect that this new distribution, $p(D)$, should be useful in feature extraction; in developing a hypothesis testing framework for segmenting and classifying noisy, discrete tensor data; and in designing experiments to measure tensor quantities.

Descriptors: Mathematical analysis; Tensors; Computer simulation; Normal distribution; Isotropy; Diffusion; Monte Carlo methods; Symmetry; Strain; Invariants; Exact solutions; Eigenvalues; PROB; Random variables;

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Influence of conductivity tensors on the scalp electrical potential: study with 2-D finite element models

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The influence of conductivity tensor on the forward solution of electroencephalography was assessed in 2-D head models of a human subject. The conductivity tensors of different regions of the head were **estimated** from **magnetic resonance-diffusion tensor** images by linearly mapping the mean trace **values** to the published conductivity **values**. The anisotropic conductivity model was compared with the isotropic conductivity model in terms of the difference between the scalp potentials. The differences were measured by the cross correlation (CC) and the relative error (RE) between two models. We have also proposed a new measure, scaling-removed RE (SRRE) as a more effective indicator of the difference. The results with 354 individual dipole sources show that there are remarkable differences between the anisotropic conductivity tensor and the isotropic model (CC=0.96, RE=30.73% and SRRE=19.34%). Although the CC is high, the large RE and SRRE indicate that this difference may also affect the accuracy of inverse solutions in localizing the current dipole sources.

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